

LI HUNG-CHANG'S RECEPTION IN SHANGHAI.

The North China Daily News of the 23rd inst. gives the following account of the reception of Li Hung-chang at Shanghai:—

Saturday morning saw the arrival in Shanghai of H. E. Li Hung-chang, Viceroy of Chihli Province, the official whose summons to Peking has been so much debated. There was none of the pomp and circumstance of viceroyalty in his coming. He left Hongkong, accompanied by Mr. Paul King, Commissioner of Customs at Canton, by the C. M. S. *Anging*, which is one of those vessels recently transferred to the British flag. She reached Wooning in the early morning of Saturday, and waited some time in order that the usual Customs examination might be made. This accomplished she came on towards Shanghai, being shortly met by the *Kwong-shing*, which had for passengers H. E. Sheng, a number of other Chinese officials, Mr. F. E. Taylor, Acting Inspector General of Customs, and others. They joined the *Vieny* and accompanied him to Kin-leung Wharf.

Before ten o'clock, therefore, the vice-regal foot on the French Bund, and a chair waited to receive our visitor. Li had brought with him a staff of some 25 officials of various ranks, and a bodyguard of Anhui men, about 200 in number. These last were not allowed to land at the time, however, and His Excellency was met by the city officials. He entered his chair, and a guard of French Municipal Police, 16 in number, arranged themselves, with fixed bayonets, on either side. Thus, followed by personal attendants in one or two broughams, he came to the Szechuen Road bridge, where the only difference made in the character of the procession was the substitution of four English constables and eight Sikhs. The Chinese officials, Li through the unobscured streets to the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, 65, Building Wall Road, opposite the Country Club, where he is now staying. A portion of Li's staff, including the notorious Liu Hsiao-shin, the ex-emissary of the Empress Dowager to Japan, is staying in Liu Hsiao-shin's house near at hand.

Although all the local native authorities appeared at the Kinleung Wharf to welcome Li, no one was received in audience at the Bureau of Foreign Affairs except Yu Taotai and Lt. Colonel Liao, the chief civil and military officers of this district. Yu Taotai, ex-Taotai of Shanghai, in his capacity of Commissioner of the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, and Chien Taotai, head of the Native Customs. Of those coming under the category of "local nobles and gentry," out of a large number who asked to be given audience, only Shao Yuen-shen, ex-Governor of Formosa, Taotai Ching Kuan-yin and Xu Chao-hsi, Chief and Co-Chief of the Chinese Merchants, and another one who were received by Li. Of the foreigners who presented their cards at the Bureau, the Commissioner of Customs of Canton was received, but Messrs. F. A. Aglen, Commissioner of Customs here, and Ferguson, President of the Nanyang College, did not succeed in seeing Li. H. E. Sheng also called, but failed to see Li also, although he was granted a private audience later in the afternoon.

Upon arrival at the Bureau one of the first things that Li did was to dispatch nine telegrams to various parts of the Empire, namely to Viceroy Li Kuan-yi (Nanking), Chang Chih-tung (Wuchang), Kuo Chuan (Chungking), Tsai Shou (Canton), Sung Fan, (Yunnan), Governors Yuan Shih-kai (Chinan), Sung Shou (Nanchang), Marshal Su (Chingchow, Kuangtung-Tong-king borders), and Li Sheng-tu, Chinese Minister at Tokio. It is supposed that the purpose of the above telegrams is to notify the addressees of Li's arrival at Shanghai. The first reply was received from Yunnan from Viceroy Sung Fan, to whom another telegram was sent in the afternoon.

Stringent orders were issued in the afternoon by Li to keep as secret as possible anything transpiring in his *yamen* (Bureau of Foreign Affairs), under severe penalties for disobedience. Shortly after noon, Li sent a telegram to Tsai Shou Yamen insisting that unless steps were taken in Peking to suppress in earnest the Boxers and their disturbing the peace, he (Li) could not venture to open any negotiations looking to peace with the Foreign officials in Shanghai. Li will await a reply to this telegram before doing anything.

On Sunday morning at 4 a.m. Li, his staff, and the local native officials went to the Wan Shou Kung, inside the West Gate of the native city, to pay obeisance before the tablets of the Empress Dowager and Emperor in honour of the 30th anniversary of the birth of the Emperor, which falls to-morrow, or the 28th day of the 6th moon—the celebrations commencing three days before and concluding three days after the chief day itself.

Yesterday Yu Taotai of Shanghai, apologizing that press business had prevented his doing it before, invited the Consular Body to a luncheon at the Mixed Court, in honour of the Emperor's birthday. It was expected that Li Hung-chang would be present. The Consuls, however, were all previously engaged.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Mr. J. Y. V. Vernon says in his Weekly Share List, dated Hongkong, 27th July:—There is no business of any importance to report with the exception of Indo-China, which has been dealt in to a fair extent. The market generally continues dull, but rates seem steadier and any demand for shares in most of the leading stocks is not really met.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have rated ready to firm with, but little or no business at from 300 per cent. premium to 305 per cent. premium, and at time of closing could be placed in small lots at the latter rate. The meeting of the Corporation is advertised for 18th August. Transfer books closing from 4th to 18th August inclusive. Nationals unchanged and without business.

MARINE INSURANCES.—There is no business to report under this heading, except a small sale of China Traders at 88.

FRIG INSURANCES.—Both Hongkong and China continue on offer at quotations without business.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been placed at 830 and close steady at that rate. Indo-China have been dealt in to a fair extent at 870 for cash, market closing steady at that rate. Douglases remain neglected, as also China Marillas. China Mutuals are engaged for in a small way at quotations.

REFINERIES.—No business to report under this heading.

MINING.—Panjoms have found buyers in unimportant lots at \$3.50 and \$3.60, closing firm at \$4. Jelobus have declined to \$10 with sellers and no sales. Olivers and Great Easterns have changed hands at quotations in small lots and close with sellers. Rambis have changed hands at \$38, closing with sellers at that rate.

are still in demand at \$57, but very few shares are obtainable.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—The market under this heading has been very dull, and with the exception of small sales of West Point there is nothing to report.

COTTON MILLS.—No local business. With the exception of Hongkong, quotations are taken from the latest Shanghai circular.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Islands have changed hands at \$207 and \$203, Electric at \$103, and United Assurance at \$10 ex div. of 15 per cent. on ordinary shares.

CONSULAR REPORTS.

SWATOW.

The report on the trade of Swatow for 1899 is the work of Mr. Consul Hurst. He notes a considerable advance during the year, the gross total of exports and imports being valued at \$2,536,274, an increase of 33 per cent. on the \$2,210,967 of 1898. The total includes \$4,730,417 for imports, and \$2,205,857 for exports, the former advancing 38 per cent. and the latter over 23 per cent. As 1898 was the record year to date, the state of affairs is satisfactory. As regards the direct trade with foreign countries, the customs returns value imports at \$1,917,242 and exports at \$1,038,919, increases of about 11 and 18 per cent. \$1,425,520 of the total imports come from Hongkong, and goods valued at \$29,354 proceed thither. In shipping, though 972 vessels with a tonnage of 910,011 were British out of a total of 1,121 vessels with a tonnage of 1,128,021, the percentage fell from 84 in 1898 to 80 in 1899. This, however, Mr. Hurst says, "is not surprising seeing that a heavily subsidised Japanese line has commenced running on routes where, heretofore, British steamers have met with little or no competition. Germany only advanced from 72 entries to 85, but, nevertheless, German shipping and commerce are advancing rapidly. Says Mr. Hurst:—

"A noteworthy and, as regards British shipping, a serious incident in the shipping trade of the port has been the transfer by purchase of the fine fleet of the Scottish Oriental Steamship Company to the Norddeutscher Lloyd Steam Navigation Company. This step will shortly result in 15 steamers, averaging over 100 tons each, hoisting the German flag in place of the British. These vessels have enjoyed a virtual monopoly of the emigration business between this port and Bangkok, and have taken a considerable share of that with the Straits Settlements. The change of flag has not yet taken place, rumour has it that it will be effected on April 1 next. I find that during the past year there were 77 entries of steamers belonging to the Scottish Oriental Company of an aggregate tonnage of 79,399 tons. When, therefore, the change of flag is completed, a decrease due to British shipping may be expected, with a corresponding increase in Germany. Possibly other lines may find it worth their while to compete for the emigration business, and compensations may be found in other directions, but there is a prospect of a marked decrease next year in the percentage of British shipping." Japanese shipping has advanced from 6 vessels of 6,722 tons in 1898 to 92 vessels of 86,256 tons in 1899.

Among imports, the sharp decline in the demand for Indian opium in 1898 has not continued, and the quantity has risen almost to the 1894 level again. The import of the native drug, however, continues to increase. Cotton goods "show a healthy expansion which should be gratifying to the Manchester manufacturers." Indian cotton yarn continues to hold the market. Coal has been in great demand, Japan securing most of the trade. Owing to the prosperity of the inhabitants time for building purposes is much sought after. Kerosene oil advanced by 10 cents and 10 pounds, and the flour import has doubled since 1898.

The one principal export of Swatow is sugar, and in 1899 2,184,676 cwt., worth \$1,160,157, left the port, as compared with 1,734,242 cwt., worth \$887,456, in 1898. The export of sugar was almost entirely to central and north China, chiefly to Shanghai, Hankow, Chinkiang, Nanchang, and Chefoo.

With regard to emigration Mr. Hurst says:—"The growing prosperity of the port would lead to the expectation that a decline in the number of emigrants would be shown. On the contrary, emigration has been brisk, and would have been still larger had it not been for its almost total suspension from June 5 to September 28, consequent on the prohibition of immigrants into the Straits Settlements as a precautionary measure against the spread of malignant plague. 80,795 emigrants left the port in 1899, as compared with 73,995 in 1898, and 71,428 in 1897. Of this number 16,629 proceeded to Hongkong, 20,581 to Bangkok, 4,662 to Saigon, 34,775 to the Straits Settlements, and 8,916 to Sumatra. On the other hand 70,011 Chinese returned to the port, so that the excess of emigration to immigration only amounted to 19,783 persons."

Mr. Hurst concludes his report with the following "General Remarks":—"There has been a good deal of building going on during the year to meet the requirements of trade expansion, including 12 new warehouses erected by a British firm on the Swatow side of the harbour. Attention has been paid to the improvement of the sanitary condition of the locality. The main street skirting the harbour on the Kialat (Swatow) side has been cleared of hawkers' stalls and accumulating filth; and now there is an excellent fairly clean road free from obstructions on that side of the estuary. This improvement is due chiefly to the efforts of the British and German Consuls."

FOOCHOW.

Mr. Consul Playfair in his report on the trade of Foochow for 1899 records an increase of \$234,724 over 1898, the total value of trade being \$2,503,093. With regard to shipping he says:—"The great bulk of the steam traffic remains as before in British hands and shows, both in its entirety and in the British predominance, an appreciable increase over 1898. It will be observed that the number of sailing vessels is notably more. The increase is attributable to Japanese craft, and for this the neighbourhood of Formosa is chiefly accountable. Japan is gradually enlarging her share in the shipping trade. A line of steamers now plies regularly between Shanghai, Foochow, Formosa, and Hongkong. The vessels belong to the Japanese Red Cross Society and in time of war would act as hospital ships, but in peace are being used

for cargo and passengers. I hear them highly spoken of in point of comfort." He goes on to say:—"The privileges accorded by the inland navigation. Regulations are sparingly taken advantage of at Foochow by Europeans. On the Min River the limit of navigation is near reach, it does not extend 100 miles. On the Yangtze River the distance navigable is still less. Upwards, between Foochow and Shui-K'ou, the head of navigation on the Min River, and downwards towards the sea, a number of native-owned steam launches ply, and in view of the inevitable competition probably the enterprise does not attract Europeans. As Mr. Fraser pointed out in his trade report for 1898, there remain places on the sea-coast in considerable numbers to which the coasting applies, but these do not seem to tempt Western enterprise."

The increase of foreign imports since the previous year is \$177,825, the import of opium in particular having risen over 50 per cent. in value, the trade being chiefly in native hands. The importation of the native article fell off during the year. Piece-goods remained fairly stationary but English drills fell off. Piece-goods, Mr. Playfair remarks, "illustrate what is becoming a normal feature of foreign trade in China, except at the distributing centres, Hongkong and Shanghai, the trade is entirely in the hands of the Chinese, who go to these distributing centres to purchase the stock they require. China still needs the foreigner for exports, but for imports she is not essential. This feature of modern trade in China, which is gradually becoming a constant factor at all ports, does not affect the volume of trade nor the profits of the manufacturer. The volume of trade increases at a regular rate every year in almost all places; the manufacturer and Manchester thrive through the country. Under the same head of imports Mr. Playfair notes the establishment of a British firm for match manufacture at Foochow on favourable terms."

Going on to speak of the *lekin* and transit-pass systems Mr. Playfair says:—"I believe that at present a portion of the sums acquired from transit half-duty is handed over to the provincial treasury, but more than this is required. Such funds should be handed over altogether; Peking has no claim to them. It is understood that when the tariff revision is carried out for which China is clamouring, foreign nations will not be averse to an increase of the duties, but will require as a *quid pro quo* the abolition of extra tariff duties. On foreign goods there will be then only one payment of duty throughout the Empire, that will be paid to the Imperial Maritime Customs and will clear the goods throughout the country. If such finally can be attained it will be a great boon to foreign commerce; but it will be unattainable and unattainable unless the claims of the provinces are fairly taken into account. If *lekin* and its congeners are to be successfully done away with, each province must receive its specified quota of the tariff duties. One difficulty connected with the abolition of *lekin* and the like is the fact that an immense number of subordinate officials will be thrown out of work, and will lose their means of livelihood. It is a problem which will demand much thought for its solution."

The only important export from Foochow is tea, and in the tea trade an advance was made, the figures showing 48,164,500 lbs. worth \$1,084,060 against 41,882,896, worth \$970,974, in 1898. The decline of taste in the matter of tea (which is shown by the growing preference for Ceylon and Indian teas) has seriously affected the higher grade teas of Foochow, but the United States and Canada still stand out against the British-grown product.

Mr. Playfair says:—"Foochow has hitherto not been the hunting ground of European concessionaires. No railways have been surveyed, nor any attempt been made to open mines of coal or metal. I hear that some prospecting has been done, but I have not heard of any practical result. This may be owing to a lack of capital. I believe coal of good quality and quantity is to be found in the neighbourhood of Foochow."

With regard to the proposed *lekin*-free area, he says:—"The question of what portion of this port is to be held a *lekin* free area has not yet been decided. The night of the British merchant to convey foreign goods across the Long Bridge into the southern suburb of the city exempt from *lekin* has, however, been established as a temporary arrangement until the *lekin* free area has been officially determined. The sole condition insisted on by the local authorities is that such goods shall be accompanied by the Consul's card, certifying their nature and ownership. This arrangement, negotiated by Mr. Fraser last spring, has worked smoothly since it was started."

We will conclude with Mr. Playfair's account of the "Bureau of Foreign Affairs." It tally in the present year there was in Foochow a department called the Bureau of Foreign Trade which was provided over by two officials, with the rank of Taotai, and which was supposed to serve as a channel of communication between the Viceroy and the Consuls. From these it obtained scant recognition, for though convenient inasmuch as it acted as a sort of buffer between the Viceroy and the foreign officials, and no doubt saved him considerable labour, still it was defective inasmuch as its heads were not endowed with sufficient authority, and there was no assurance that their orders would be obeyed by the local authorities. Moreover, owing to the fact that there were two chiefs, the responsibility was divided, to the detriment of business. In the spring this Board was finally abolished, by orders of the Tsung-li-Yamen a new department took its place. This is called the Bureau of Foreign Affairs, and has the advantage of having only one supreme head. The Bureau of responsibility has ceased, but I am by no means convinced that the Bureau is more competent to enforce its authority than the Board was."

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE TROOPS IN CHINA.

The Intelligence Branch at Army Headquarters, Simla, has published a short military report on the Province of Chihli, the object being to furnish information to the troops now proceeding on active service in the north of China. In the introductory remarks some interesting particulars are given regarding the Boxers. They are described as intensely patriotic, and bitterly opposed to the invasion of China by the hated "foreign devils." "They are an offshoot of the greatest secret society in the whole of China, the *Kalao Hoi*, or Society of the Elder Brother, whose headquarters are in that valley of the Yellow River and whose motto is 'China for the Chinese' and down with all foreigners, including the Manchus and the ruling dynasty. By themselves the Boxers are quite incapable of standing against disciplined troops, as they are mere rabble armed with spears and swords and a very few antiquated muskets, but the situation might become serious if they were joined by the regular Chinese troops in any numbers. A great number of these troops are *Kalao Hoi* men, and they must sympathise with the present movement." It has become apparent from recent events at Tientsin that the regulars have joined with the Boxers. A correspondent of a China paper, dated some time ago, that

Prince Tuan himself was a Boxer, and there is reason to believe that many of the highest Chinese officials belong secretly to the Society. In any case we have the fact clearly established that the "rebels" have found leaders of note that several of the Chinese batteries of artillery have gone over to them. The Report from which we have quoted states that there are about 100,000 troops stationed about Chihli Province, but the greater part of them are not very formidable. "At the same time it must be remembered that there are at least 30,000 modern long range rifles among them, mostly of the Mauser brand; Mauser-like patterns, and that similar rifles are being manufactured in the Chinese arsenals, and that therefore it is necessary that troops opposed to them should not be inferior in armament. It is a fortunate circumstance that most of the Indian regiments being sent out have had the 303 rifle in their hands for some weeks past and that they already know how to use it. It is stated that the best army in China is that raised by Yuan Shihai after the war with Japan. "It was until lately quartered at Hsiao-Chou, south of the Peiho River, about 50 miles south-east of Tientsin, and numbered about 7,000 men, made up of about 5,500 infantry, 500 cavalry and 1,000 artillery. The infantry are armed with the Mauser-like rifle; the cavalry with sabres, Mauser-like carbines and old revolvers. The artillery has three batteries of Horse Artillery, each battery being armed with six 75 mm. quick firing guns; three batteries of Field Artillery, each armed with six 75 mm. Krupp field guns; and three mountain batteries, each armed with six 75 mm. Krupp guns." The bulk of this army is in Shanung, but there is another force of 16,000 strong, similarly armed, which was quartered on the railway between Tang Ku and Lan Chow. It is from this probably that the guns have been drawn which are bombarding Tientsin. There is a rabble of an irregular army about Peking, 32,000 strong, but the units of this are badly armed. As to the country in which operations have begun, the best season for military movements is said to be from September to May, July and August are the wettest months in the year, and the country then becomes inundated and almost impassable. In September the floods disappear, the ground becomes firm and in the winter it is hardened by frost. As regards the railway the line from Tientsin to Peking is about 50 miles; the track is a double one and the gauge 4 feet 8½ inches.

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MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1900. [193]

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No. 116 (SPECIAL).

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WESTERN END OF THE NORTH OR SHAWESHAN CHANNEL, NEW PASSAGE SURVEYED AND BUOYED.

NOTICE is hereby given that a new passage has been opened through the Tsungming Banks, at the western end of the North Channel, which has been named the "Tsungming Crossing" and marked by the following mentioned Buoy.

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CAUTION.

The flood tide sets to the N.W. across the channel, and this must be guarded against, especially between the East Entrance Buoy and the First Crossing Buoy.

A. M. BISBEE,
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Imperial Maritime Customs,
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Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. [3064]

AUCTIONS.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 300.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1900, at 3 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

F. H. MAY,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 14th July, 1900. [2081]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1900, at 3 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land, at Quarry Bay, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
Reg. No.	Locality.	N. S. E. W.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.	ft. ft. ft. ft.
1	Quarry Bay	100' 0" 100' 0" 100' 0" 100' 0"	40,000	10,000	40,000

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 301.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1900, at 3.15 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

F. H. MAY,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 14th July, 1900. [2082]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1900, at 3.15 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One Lot of Crown Land in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 Years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN, for one further term of 75 years.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 302.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of Sale of CROWN LAND by PUBLIC AUCTION, to be held at the Office of the Public Works Department, on MONDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1900, at 4 P.M., are published for general information.

By Command.

F. H. MAY,

Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,

Hongkong, 21st July, 1900. [2083]

Particulars and Conditions of the Letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 30th day of JULY, 1900, at 4 P.M., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Two Lots of Crown Land at Hung Hom, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of Her Majesty the QUEEN, for one further term of 75 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOTS.

No. of Sale.	Locality.	Boundary Measurements.	Contents in Square ft.	Annual Rent.	Upset Price.
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GEORGE P. LAMBERT,

Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1900. [2082]

NOTIFICATION.

IT is hereby notified that the undersigned has been APPOINTED, by His Excellency LIU KUN-I, Superintendent of Southern Trade, to Officiate Temporarily as INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF CUSTOMS.

F. E. TAYLOR,

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Shanghai, 18th July, 1900. [2083]

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CHAPTER XXX.

AT BAY.

To account for Jenny's appearance in 25, Jernyn Street, it is necessary to return to what happened in the morning.

When the lock turned in the door of her captivity, and the man with the black patch stood before her, he appeared as if he had just walked in from the street. His manner was that of haste and secrecy.

"Quick!" said he. "I'm going to take you to your husband. He is waiting for you."

The thought of Will waiting for her made her heart bound uncontrollably. And she had no suspicion. Why should she have any? Was not this the man to whom Will had been commended by Captain Cathcart?

"Quick!" repeated the man, as she hastily donned hat and jacket. And he held his head in a listening attitude, as if he feared that her she might appear.

"I am ready," said she.

She hastened after him with light foot out of the flat and down into the street. He hailed a loitering hansom, and gave an address in the Temple, and then bowed away. She questioned her companion about her husband, and he answered her with a promising cheerfulness and eagerness, smiling all the while and nodding, as much as to say "Wait and see."

They turned out of several Fleet Street, just after they had passed the Griffin, under a strange, deep arch, and then they clattered down a very narrow lane. Presently they got out, and the man with the black patch led her into a dark doorway and up a dark, uneven staircase, about which the mudiness of centuries seemed to linger, for she had noted that the building was very old. On the second floor he opened a heavy, iron-studded door, and ushered her in.

"Stop in here, Mrs. Lomas," said he gently, opening another door.

She advanced, nothing doubting, almost expecting to be taken in Will's outstretched arms. But when she entered, she turned about quickly, for there was one in the room, and she looked like a small and plump kitchen. There was a dresser and a gas cooking-stove.

"I'll go and find him," said the man with the black patch, nodding and smiling.

He shut the door, and Jenny heard him lock it, although he did it very softly. Then a horrid fear assailed her. She tried the latch; the door was fast. She hammered with her fists. She looked at the window; it was of frosted glass, and barred.

She had been deceived—played upon! She had been taken from one prison to be shut into another—a worse! For her former gaoler had been a woman; her present was a man! And the knowledge of that was very disquieting!

She began to look around the little, frowsy room. There was a portmanteau in a corner, upon which were pasted the large letters "C.C." There was also a Gladstone bag with, besides the initials, a plate, in which was engraved "Cathcart." In a drawer of the dresser was a cookery book and a Prayer Book (strange conjunction), in both of which was written "C. Cathcart." The recurrence of the initials and the name roused her suspicions.

Cathcart? Cathcart? It was the name of the Captain. Also, it was the name of Mrs. Kesteven's first husband. Could it be that this man with the black patch—? But that was impossible; for Peggy Cathcart's husband must have died before she could have married Mr. Kesteven; must he not? It was the reasoning and the speculation of an inexperienced and innocent woman.

She grew cold, and she lit the gas-stove to warm the air. She passed a wakeful night in fear of Mrs. Kesteven, and the flames of the burning gas in the little room made her unutterably drowsy. She slept, sitting in a chair, leaning against the dresser. Poor, sorely-tried, brave girl!

She woke with the turning of the lock, and the harsh opening of the door. She started up in the hope of seeking Will in the company of the man with the black patch; but she was confronted by Mrs. Kesteven—Mrs. Kesteven in a rage—Mrs. Kesteven the pale, flaming embodiment of fury! The fury of jealousy, it presently appeared!

"So this is where you've come to—miss!" she hissed. "You call yourself a married woman—Mrs. Lomas! Is she dead?"

"What do you mean?" asked Jenny.

"What do I mean? You know what I mean! What did you come here for? To the chambers of a man! My man! My husband!"

"Your husband?" cried Jenny, thinking of the name of Cathcart all around her.

"Yes, woman! My husband! And well you know it! You—you woman! What did he say to you? Tell me or I'll kill you!"

She had wrought herself to a frenzy. With flaming eyes, outstretched head, and raised hand, she made at Jenny. Jenny was truly afraid then. She set the chair between herself and Mrs. Kesteven, and as she turned to reach her, she dodged round it, shot out at the door, slammed it to, and, quick as thought, locked it!

Then, with her feet and trembling limbs, she sought and found the great door that opened upon the staircase. She flew down the stairs. She was free!

It was growing dusk in the quiet, narrow lane when she reached it. She looked up and down; she did not know which way to turn. A man was loitering near. She stepped boldly up to him.

"Will you be so good as direct me to Jernyn Street?" She had at once thought of Townsend.

The man's careful and waiting manner at once changed. It became alert and eager.

"Are you Mrs. Lomas?" he asked.

In alarm Jenny demanded, "What has that to do with you?" And she turned to flee again.

"Do you want Mr. Townsend?" the man asked hurriedly.

She stopped. "Yes, I do."

"If you will come with me I'll take you to him."

"No!" said she, turning away again. "I've been deceived once."

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"Very well, madam," said the man, with a smile. "I'll just show you where to find a cab and you can go by yourself."

He led her up the lane into Fleet Street and put her into a cab. And so Jenny arrived at Townsend's, as we have seen.

When her eye lighted on Cathcart, still unconscious in the chair, she exclaimed in her excitement, "That's the man! The beast!"

These were her first words. Townsend emitted his usual smile.

"Yes, Mrs. Lomas," said he, "it is true; that is the man—or, rather, the beast!"

Then he questioned her, and she related her day's story.

"He was going to take me to Will," she said, "but—his lips trembled, and she asked pitiously, 'Where is he?'"

"Now, my dear Mrs. Lomas," said Townsend, "you're borne up, and been very brave. Don't break down now. I beg to assure you that I know where your husband is, and that in a little while he and you will meet as if nothing had happened."

"Do you think so?" she asked, eagerly; but she shook her head.

"I beg to assure you," he repeated, "of the truth of what I say. I wish to ask you another question or two; but first—you will excuse me—I must attend to my gentleman here: he is coming to."

"He rang the bell, Mortimer reappeared. 'Call up Slinger,' said he, 'and tell him to go back to that house in the Temple on the second floor, on the right. I think you said, 'turning to Jenny—' and being along the lady he will find there. Let him tell her that the man with the black patch has urgent need of her."

"Very well, sir," said Mortimer.

"By the way," said Townsend, turning again to Jenny. "did you close the outer door of the chambers?"

"I slammed it!" said Jenny, with energy.

"Then we need the key," he said. He turned to the occupant of the chair. "Mr. Cathcart, oblige me with the key of your chambers."

"Sorry to disoblige you, Mr. Townsend," said Cathcart, with assumed politeness, "but you have too much of mine already."

"What the devil, man," cried Townsend, "is this a moment for scruples of reserve? It is to release your wife we want the key!"

"My wife?" said Cathcart, looking and speaking as if suddenly found out in a crime.

"Yes," murmured Townsend, with his flickering smile, "commonly passing as Mrs. Kesteven." It was his revenge for the advantage Cathcart had taken of his trustfulness.

Cathcart looked at him a moment, shook his head at him, and said through his teeth, "You devil!"

"Well now," said Townsend, "your key; to release your wife."

"What does she need release from? But if she needs release I can go myself," said Cathcart, rising to his feet.

"Sorry I can't part with you yet," said Townsend. "But if you doubt that she needs release, question this lady, who looked her in: you have seen her before, I believe."

Cathcart mechanically acknowledged the acquaintance with a slight bending of his body; it could not be called a bow.

"Yes," said Jenny, with satisfaction. "I locked her into the horrid little kitchen where you put me!"

"Now, Mr. Cathcart, the key," insisted Townsend, holding out his hand.

"Do you mean to try to keep me a prisoner?" asked Cathcart, lowering.

"Oh, my dear man," said Townsend, "don't be irrelevant. When can you discuss that later. Come, the key, you do not wish to use force?"

So Cathcart surrendered the key, which was handed over to the waiting Mortimer.

"And now, Mrs. Lomas," said Townsend, "will you tell me what you discovered that made Mrs. Kesteven (or Mrs. Cathcart) turn against you?"

"Yes, I'll tell you," Jenny began. But her brain reeled. She put up her hand feebly to her head. "I feel rather faint. Can you give me a glass of water? I haven't tasted anything since last night!"

"My dear Mrs. Lomas," cried Townsend, jumping to his feet, and ringing the bell, "what an ass I am not to have thought of it! Mortimer, give an eye to Mr. Cathcart, and see if he wants anything. Mrs. Lomas, come with me. I'll show you my kitchen. You must have something to eat. Ha! ha! it's not a glass of water that you need. I'm a devil of a fellow to make people eat proper food and drink proper beverages. You don't know that I rather fancy myself as a cook? Well, you shall see me make an omelette; and you shall eat it! And if you don't say—But I'll wait till you've tasted."

It was a revelation to Jenny how this mysterious man could pass easily and naturally from grave to gay, and from the detection of crime to the concoction of a dish. While she observed his quick assured movements she wondered and admired.

"There cannot be omelettes without breaking of eggs," said he. "And the saying applies very widely."

Never before had Jenny known how to make an omelette properly, and never before, she admitted, had she eaten one so light and exquisite. And Mr. Townsend was as deft and attentive as a woman in serving her. He spread a neat tray for her at the end of his little kitchen table, he cut for her a crust from a new loaf, and he drew the cork of a bottle of old Burgundy, and made her drink a glass of the reviving wine. He was a dear—she declared to herself. And then she told him of the disclosures Mr. Timmis had unwittingly made.

"I hear a cab," he said presently. "That will be Peggy, the beautiful daughter! Let us receive her in my sitting-room."

They returned to the door, and met Mortimer free to answer the door. And Mrs. Kesteven, otherwise Peggy Cathcart, appeared in the doorway. At sight of Jenny she stopped.

"Come in, Mrs. Cathcart," said Townsend, "pray come in."

"What do you mean," she demanded, "by giving me that name?"

"Giving it you!" exclaimed Townsend. "It is yours, is it not?"

She said nothing, but came in, while Charles Cathcart steadily regarded her.

"We're trapped, Peggy," said he, lightly, rising to his feet.

She regarded him with stern disdain and displeasure. It was to Townsend she spoke.

"What have you set us here for?" she demanded. She spoke like an injured and insulted queen of tragedy.

"Well, really," said Townsend, "I would find it hard to say. I am not sure. I only wish you to understand that the game is up—I have the ends of your story all neatly gathered together, or shall have to-night—and that either voluntarily or compulsorily you must clear my young friend Lomas—known as Lomas," he added pointedly; but the point did not seem to catch on.

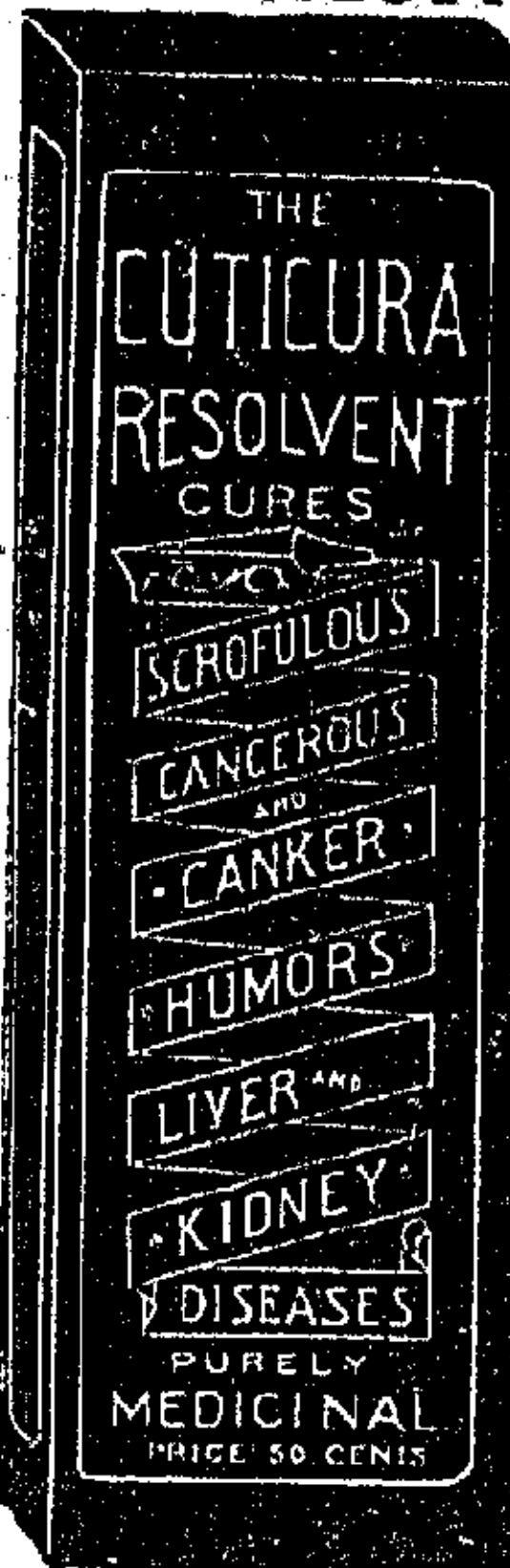
"What do you mean by 'game'?" What game demanded Peggy in grand defiance.

"Ah, you don't know?" said Townsend, while his smile flickered. "Well, let me tell you the story from the beginning, and then perhaps you will understand what I mean by 'game.'"

[To be concluded.]

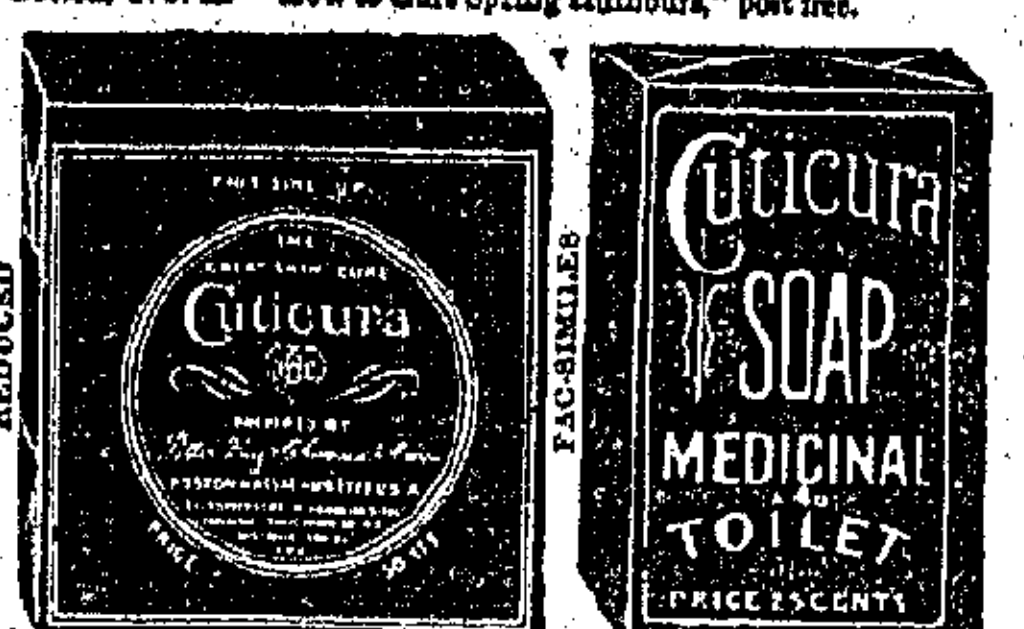
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BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL	KORING ALBERT	Ger. str.	---	Dupuy Fromy	MELCHERS & CO.	On 9th Aug. at Noon.
MARSEILLES, &c, VIA PORTS OF CALL	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	---	J. B. Macmillan	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 30th inst. at 1 P.M.
MARSEILLES, &c, VIA STORE, &c	WAKASA MARU	Jap. str.	---	G. W. Babot	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 10th Aug. at Daylight.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	SILESIA	Ger. str.	---	Behrens	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 14th Aug.
HAVRE & HAMBURG	MARBURG	Ger. str.	---	v. Buzer	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 12th Sept.
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HAVRE & HAMBURG	SAXONIA	Ger. str.	---	Jager	CARLOWITZ & CO.	On or about 30th Sept.
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NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	RICHMOND CASTLE	Brit. str.	---	W. E. Craven	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On or about 20th Aug.
NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL	INDRAVELLI	Brit. str.	---	A. Jackson	DOUGLASS LARSEN & CO.	On or about 24th Aug.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA V. AMOY, &c	GOODWIN	Jap. str.	---	M. J. Curran	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-day.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA V. AMOY, &c	INDRAVELLI	Brit. str.	---	H. Pybus, E.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 30th inst. at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C., VIA MOJI, &c	EMPEROR OF CHINA	Brit. str.	---	R. Archibald, E.N.R.	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	On 8th Aug.
VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c	MONMOUTHSHIRE	Brit. str.	---	J. Kennedy	DOUGLASS LARSEN & CO.	On 4th Aug.
PORTLAND, OREGON, &c	DORIC	Brit. str.	---	O. & O. S. S. Co.	TOTO KISEN KAISHA	On 7th Aug. at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI &c	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	---	Ellis	PACIFIC MAIL S. S. Co.	On 16th Aug. at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI &c	CHINA	Amr. str.	---	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst. at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI &c	CARLEIGH CITY	Brit. str.	---	Krebs	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 6th Aug.
SAN DIEGO, &c, VIA FOCHOOW, KOBE, &c	EASTERN	Brit. str.	---	C.H.S. Toque, E.N.R.	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 9th Aug. at 5 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Ger. str.	---	J. S. Thompson	MELCHERS & CO.	On 15th Aug. at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	MONCHEN	Ger. str.	---	Nissen	MELCHERS & CO.	On 5th Sept. at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	ROHILLA	Brit. str.	---	G. W. Gordon, E.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On or about 4th Aug.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	KAWACHI MARU	Jap. str.	---	Durando	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	On 3rd Aug. at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	DAPENE	Ger. str.	---	C. T. Denny	SIEMSEN & CO.	On 1st Aug. at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	ERNEST SIMONS	Brit. str.	---	Hall	MELCHERS & CO.	To-day, at 10 A.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	CHUSAN	Brit. str.	---	S. Nagata	MELCHERS & CO.	On or about 30th inst.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	HAICHONG	Brit. str.	---	I. Sato	DOUGLASS LARSEN & CO.	On or about 3rd Aug.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	TAMSU MARU	Jap. str.	---	G. T. Blackland	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	To-day, at 5 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	ANPING MARU	Jap. str.	---	Moore	MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	EMERALDA	Brit. str.	---	Moore	SHEWAN TOMES & CO.	On 8th Aug. at Daylight.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	SUNSHINE	Brit. str.	---	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 31st inst. at 5 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	KAIPOH	Brit. str.	---	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th Aug. at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	KASHING	Brit. str.	---	Moore	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 15th Aug. at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	CATHEDRAL APGAR	Brit. str.	---	Hopkins	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	CHUNSHANG	Brit. str.	---	J. G. Olfert	DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.	On 31st inst. at 4 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	KANU	Brit. str.	---	Buller	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 1st Aug. at 3 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	---	Somerville	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 4th Aug. at 2 P.M.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	---	R. Cox	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	To-day, at Noon.
YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI & KOBE	MAUSANG	Brit. str.	---	R. Cox	JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.	On 31st inst. at 5 P.M.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
 July 26, KASHING, British str., 1,150, Saies, Hongkong 24th July, Coal.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
 July 27, BENLOMOND, British str., 1,752, Wm. Hutton, Moji 21st July, Coal.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.
 July 27, WINGSONG, British str., 1,517, Sellar, Canton 27th July, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.
 July 27, SULZAN VAN LANGKUT, Dutch str., 1,053, Blomberg, Polo Sambo 19th July, Koroia Oil.—MEYER & CO.
 July 27, GLAUCUS, British str., 3,590, J. Barwise, Singapore 22nd July, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
 July 27, HAICHONG, British str., 1,297, Hall, Foochow 24th July, Amoy 25th and Swatow 26th, General.—DOUGLASS LARSEN & CO.
 July 27, BUFFALO, U.S. steamer, 9,000, C. T. Hutchins, Colombo (Ceylon) 17th July, Shanghai 24th July, General.—CHINESE.
 July 27, MOHAWK, British man-of-war, 1,770, F. W. Freeman, Auckland via Townsville and Thursday Island 1st July and Amboina 20th.
 July 27, GLENESK, British str., 2,125, Rafferty, London 13th June and Singapore 21st July, General.—MCGREGOR BROS. & COV.
 July 27, CLARA, German str., 675, Hansen, Haiphong and Heilow 26th July, General.—JENSEN & CO.

CLEARANCES.

At the Harbour Master's Office.
 27th July.
 Petrol, German str., for Saigon.
 Prato, German str., for Chetou.
 Chittagong, British str., for Moji.

DEPARTURES.

July 27, NEVADA, Brit. transp., for Weihaiwei.
 July 27, HITACHI MARU, Jap. str., for London.
 July 27, THALES, British str., for Swatow.
 July 27, YUNSHANG, British str., for Manila.
 July 27, WINGSONG, British str., for Swatow.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

ABERDEEN DOCKS.—U.S.S. Monterey, Chang-sha, Argus, Taichong, Triton, Feihoo, Hanoi, COSMOPOLITAN DOCK.—

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Albion*, from Shanghai 24th July, had fine weather throughout.
 The British steamer *Gladius*, from Singapore 22nd July, had light variable winds and showery weather throughout. July 24th spoke ship *Rathgore* of Dublin, in lat. 9.29 N., long. 109.22 E., steering N.E.
 The British man-of-war *Mohawk*, from Auckland via Townsville and Thursday Island 1st July and Amboina 20th, had fine weather; after leaving Thursday Island not much rain. July 23rd spoke *Isla de Luzon*, American gunboat, from Samboanga for Philippines, at anchor.

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

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"KANU."
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Hongkong, 26th July, 1900. 2055

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

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"TAMSU MARU."
 Captain H. Nagata, will be despatched for the above ports, TO-MORROW, the 29th inst., at DAYLIGHT.

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Hongkong, 23rd July, 1900. 15

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

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G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 17th July, 1900. 2

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THE Company's Steamship

"ERNEST SIMONS."
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Hongkong, 24th July, 1900. 2

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.'S NEW YORK LINE.

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Hongkong, 28th July, 1900. 1904

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SANDAKAN.

THE Company's Steamship

"MAUSANG."
 Captain R. Cox, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 31st inst., at 3 P.M.

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Hongkong, 27th July, 1900. 2087

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR CEBU AND ILOILO.

THE Company's Steamship

"KASHING."
 Captain Hopkins, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 31st inst.

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Hongkong, 24th July, 1900. 2047

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Hongkong, 18th July, 1900. 1

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Hongkong, 26th July, 1900. 13

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The best route to the KLONDIKE GOLD FIELDS. Frequent sailings from VICTORIA, TACOMA and PORTLAND to DYE and St. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and to Canadian and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one copy must be sent forward by the steamer to the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific Railway, Tacoma, Wash., for Goods forwarded via that port, and to the Freight Agent, Oregon Railroad and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon, Goods Shipped by that route.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address marked in full) by 5 P.M. on the day previous to sailing.

Rates of Passage to other Ports on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to DODWELL & CO. LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1900. 10

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS. DESTINATIONS. SAILING DATES.

* IZUMI MARU ... DESTINATIONS ... SAILING DATES.

KAWACHI MARU ... DESTINATIONS ... SAILING DATES.

WAKASA MARU ... DESTINATIONS ... SAILING DATES.

* Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading issued for the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada, and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office at Prince's Building, First Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA, Manager.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1900. 12

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

"EMPEROR OF CHINA" ... SAILING DATES.

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THE magnificent TWIN-SCREW STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to VANCOUVER in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL IMPERIAL LIMITED TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE IN 100 HOURS.

Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4,

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE CHINA & MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

"ESMERALDA."
Captain G. T. Blackland, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 31st inst., at 5 P.M.

This Steamer has superior accommodation for Passengers and is fitted with the Electric Light.

A doctor is carried.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. 2073

U.S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

CHINA (via Amoy, Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, July 31, at NOON.

ALASKA (via Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Aug. 2, at NOON.

CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Aug. 25, at NOON.

CITY OF PEKING (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Sept. 18, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "CHINA" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, VIA AMOY, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 31st July, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Pacific lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways, and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM,
Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. 1911

THE OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU."

Captain I. Sato, will be despatched for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, the 8th August, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA

Agents.
Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. 1443

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling at Timor, Port Darwin and Queensland Ports, and taking through Cargo to Adelaide, New Zealand, Tasmania, &c.)

THE Steamship

"EASTERN."

Captain Ellis, will be despatched for the above ports on THURSDAY, the 9th August, at 5 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c. throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from Australia are available for return by the steamers of the China Navigation Company and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. 1912

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AND AMERICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship

"COROMANDEL."

Captain F. W. Vibert, R.N., carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this port for Bombay on SATURDAY, the 4th August, 1900, at Noon, taking passengers and cargo for the above ports.

Silk and Valuables, all cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further particulars, apply to

A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1900. 1913

UNITED STATES AND CHINA-JAPAN STEAMSHIP LINE

(ROB. M. SLOMAN & CO., HAMBURG)

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE full-powered Steamship

"ALBENGA."

Capt. Petersen, will be despatched for the above port on or about 4th August.

For Freight, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1900. 1917

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

FOR PACIFIC COAST, CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

THE C. P. R. Company's Steamship

"TARTAR." Commander H. PYBES, R.N., 4,425 Tons Gross Register.

Will be despatched on or about Wednesday, 15th AUGUST, 1900.

For VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, B.C., VIA MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA (and via Coast Ports and Shanghai if sufficient inducement offers).

The Vessel has excellent accommodation for Saloon Passengers.

Through Passage Tickets issued to all points.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast, Canada and the United States.

For information as to rates of Freight and Passage, &c., apply to

D. E. BROWN, General Agent.

Hongkong, 21st July, 1900. 1911

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

TO SAN FRANCISCO VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Aug. 16, 1900, at NOON.

AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Sept. 11, 1900, at NOON.

HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Oct. 6, 1900, at NOON.

THE Twin Screw Steamship

"NIPPON MARU"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on THURSDAY, the 16th August, 1900, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Pacific lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco, including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER AND RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of 24 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 23rd June, 1900. 1915

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"SUNGKIANG."

Captain Moore, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 4th August, at Noon.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this twin screw Steamer.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1900. 2086

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SINGAPORE, SOERABAYA AND SAMARANG.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHUNSIANG."

Captain Buller, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 4th August, at 2 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th July, 1900. 2088

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHAFON, TOPEKA AND SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN PORTS AND HONOLULU.

THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, &c.

S.S. "CARLISLE CITY" About 6th Aug.

S.S. "STRAIGHT" About 15th Sept.

THE Steamship "CARLISLE CITY" will be despatched for SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, on MONDAY, the 6th August.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further information as to Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, China and Japan. 1914

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE, VIA THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

DORIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) TUESDAY, Aug. 7, at NOON.

CORPIS (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) SATURDAY, Sept. 1, at NOON.

GALIC (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama, and Honolulu) THURSDAY, Sept. 27, at NOON.

THE Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA, and HONOLULU on TUESDAY, the 7th August, 1900, at NOON.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN and call at HONOLULU, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passenger Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Pacific lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice versa) within one year, will be allowed discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or Passage apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

C. L. GORHAM, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1900. 1914

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"CALCHAS."

Captain Baskin, will be despatched as above on TUESDAY, the 2nd August.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1900. 1905

VESSELS ON THE BERTH

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LIVERPOOL DIRECT.

(Taking Cargo at London rates.)

THE Company's Steamship

"SARFEDON."

Captain Grier, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 10th August.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1900. 1893

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA."

Captain Moore, will be despatched as above on WEDNESDAY, the 15th August, at 4 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer. The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the Engines.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

For Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1900. 2078

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA."

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A duly qualified Surgeon is carried, and the Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN S.S. Co. and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1900. 2048

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship

"RICHMOND CASTLE"

will be despatched for the above port on or about the 26th August.

For Freight, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LD., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd July, 1900. 2054

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship

"RHEIPEUS"

will be despatched as above on TUESDAY the 21st August.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 14th July, 1900. 1893

NATAL LINE OF STEAMERS.

THE Undersigned GENERAL AGENTS in CHINA and JAPAN for the above Line are prepared to issue THROUGH BILLS OF LADING for all the principal ports in SOUTH AFRICA in connection with INDO-CHINA STRAM NAVIGATION Co.'s fortnightly service hence to CALCUTTA. Sailings from CALCUTTA for Cape Ports every fortnight.

For Freight and further particulars, apply to

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, General Agents for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 4th August, 1897.

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAINS, the AGENTS, nor the Owners will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Officers or the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour—

GLENSHIRE, British bark, Burns—Sander, Wieler & Co.

J. P. HITCHCOCK, Amr. ship, Gates—Siemens & Co.

R. C. RICKMEERS, German ship, Otto—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

VALE OF DOON, British bark, Petersen—Sander, Wieler & Co.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

CONSIGNEES per Company's Steamer

"PROMETHEUS"

are hereby notified that the Cargo is being discharged into Craft, and/or landed at the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, in both cases it will lie at Consignees' risk. The Cargo will be ready for delivery from Craft or Godown on and after the 27th instant.

Optional cargo will be landed unless notice has been given prior to steamer's arrival.

Goods undelivered after the 3rd prox. will be subject to rent. All damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined at 11 A.M. on the 1st prox.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, 26th July, 1900. 2089

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "QUEEN ADELAIDE."

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for counter-signature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 25th July, 1900. 1910

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

"MOGUL" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

S.S. "AFRIDI."

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 4 P.M. TO-DAY.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Ernest Simons*, with the French Mail of the 26th June, left Saigon on Friday, the 27th inst., at 2 a.m., and may be expected here to-morrow. This Packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on 28th May.

The *Doric*, with the American mail, dated 30th June, left Yokohama on Friday, the 20th inst., and may be expected here to-day.

Special attention is called to the alteration in the time of closing the mails for Europe, &c., by the French Mail Packet *Tonkin* on Monday, the 30th inst., and in future.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DAY AND HOUR.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta Hobson and Haythorn Amoy, Poochoo, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma.	Kunming Hobson Goodwin	Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M.
Samarang and Sourabaya Cebu and Iloilo Saigon Swatow Amoy and Tamsui Kumohock and Samshui	Kunming Kunming Kunming Kunming Kunming Kunming	Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M. Saturday, 28th, 11.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Taticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Tonkin	Sunday, 29th, 9.00 A.M. Circulars 8.00 A.M. Registration 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 10.30 A.M. Letters 11 A.M.
Samshui and Wuchow Amoy, SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Samshui China	Monday, 30th, 4.00 P.M. Tuesday, 31st, 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 11.00 A.M. Tuesday, 31st, 2.00 P.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 11.00 A.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 2.00 P.M. Thursday, 2nd Aug., 4.00 P.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Taticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Coromandel	Monday, 30th, 4.00 P.M. Tuesday, 31st, 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 11.00 A.M. Tuesday, 31st, 2.00 P.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 11.00 A.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 2.00 P.M. Thursday, 2nd Aug., 4.00 P.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Sourabaya and Samarang Samshui and Wuchow SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA and VANCOUVER (B.C.) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Chunwang Samshui Empress of China	Monday, 30th, 4.00 P.M. Tuesday, 31st, 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 11.00 A.M. Tuesday, 31st, 2.00 P.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 11.00 A.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 2.00 P.M. Thursday, 2nd Aug., 4.00 P.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Taticorin (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)	Konig Albert	Monday, 30th, 4.00 P.M. Tuesday, 31st, 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 11.00 A.M. Tuesday, 31st, 2.00 P.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 11.00 A.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 2.00 P.M. Thursday, 2nd Aug., 4.00 P.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M.
Samshui and Wuchow Samshui and Wuchow Maui Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.	Wuchow Samshui Changsha	Monday, 30th, 4.00 P.M. Tuesday, 31st, 10.00 A.M. (Registration with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 A.M.) Letters 11.00 A.M. Tuesday, 31st, 2.00 P.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 11.00 A.M. Wednesday, 1st Aug., 2.00 P.M. Thursday, 2nd Aug., 4.00 P.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M. Saturday, 4th Aug., 10.00 A.M.

TO-DAY.
Sale, Furniture, "Clovell," Peak Road, Mr. Geo. P. Lammert, 2.45 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

FRIDAY, 27th July.

EXCHANGE.

— EXCHANGE.	
ON LONDON.—	Telegraphic Transfer 20
	Bank Bills, on demand 20½
	Bank Bills, at 30 days sight 20½
	Bank Bills, at 4 months sight 20½
	Credits, at 4 months sight 20½
	Documentary Bills, 4 months sight 20½
ON PARIS.—	Bank Bills, on demand 252
	Credits, 4 months sight 256½
ON GERMANY.—	On demand 205
ON NEW YORK.—	Bank Bills, on demand 48½
	Credits, 40 days sight 49½
ON BOMBAY.—	Telegraphic Transfer 150½
	Bank, on demand 150½
ON CALCUTTA.—	Telegraphic Transfer 150½
	Bank, on demand 150½
ON SHANGHAI.—	Bank, at sight 71½
	Private, 30 days sight 72½
ON YOKOHAMA.—	On demand 2 p.m.
ON MANILA.—	On demand 2½ p.m.
ON SINGAPORE.—	On demand 4½ p.m.
ON BATAVIA.—	On demand 120½
ON HAIPHONG.—	On demand 3 p.m.
ON SAIGON.—	On demand 2½ p.m.
ON BANGKOK.—	On demand 60
	Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate 9.90
	GOLD, per 100 fine, per tael 53
	SILVER, per oz. 27½
— OPIUM.	
Quotations are:— Allow 1% net. to 1 catty.	
Malwa New	\$870 per picul
Malwa Old	\$890 " "
Malwa Older	\$920 " "
P. P. per-wrapped	\$870 " "
Persian fine quality	\$910 " "
Persian extra fine	\$950 " "
China New	\$820 " "
China Old	\$1,020 " "
Benares New	\$ 2 " "
Benares Old	\$ — " "